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ADDITION OF IMINODISUCCINIC ACID

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	1	EP 1 074 239 A1	02-07-2001	Beiersdorf AG		Abstract Only
	2	WO 02/055050 A1	07-18-2002	Beiersdorf AG		

### OTHER DOCUMENTS

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